

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM : SAC, COLUMBIA (44-299) (RUC)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 8/16/69

On 8/14/69 Mr. GEORGE McMILLAN advised SA [REDACTED], that he is a writer commissioned by the Little Brown Publishing Company, Boston, Mass., to write a book about JAMES EARL RAY and moved into a home on Coffin Point, Frogmore, S. C., approximately three months ago with his wife who is writing a book concerning MARINA OSWALD.

McMILLAN stated that he has contacted a Mr. STONER, Savannah, Ga., who is the attorney presently representing RAY on several occasions in order to obtain information for his book. He said that during 1962 he had written an article for the Saturday Evening Post concerning the bombing of a black church in Birmingham, Ala., in which several black children were killed and although he did not specifically indicate that STONER was a good subject in this case he advised he referred to STONER as Mr. X and described him in the article as a man with a limp. McMILLAN said that after this article came out in Saturday Evening Post he had heard that STONER had sworn to kill him but that he has met STONER on several occasions since that time and STONER has made no mention of this.

McMILLAN advised that on the morning of 8/14/69 he attempted to contact STONER telephonically in Savannah and the phone was answered by a man with a young voice who replied to McMILLAN after he identified himself as GEORGE McMILLAN, "don't you think you have got a nerve calling Mr. STONER. You've practically called him a murderer. I know you live in Atlanta Pal and you'd better watch your step. That's all I've got to say." McMILLAN said after this young man made these remarks he hung up on McMILLAN.

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Mr. McMILLAN advised this Agent that he did not wish to make a formal complaint but merely wanted the incident to be a matter of record in case anything should happen in the future.

This information is being forwarded to the Director, Birmingham, Memphis and Savannah inasmuch as the Columbia Office is taking no action in this matter.